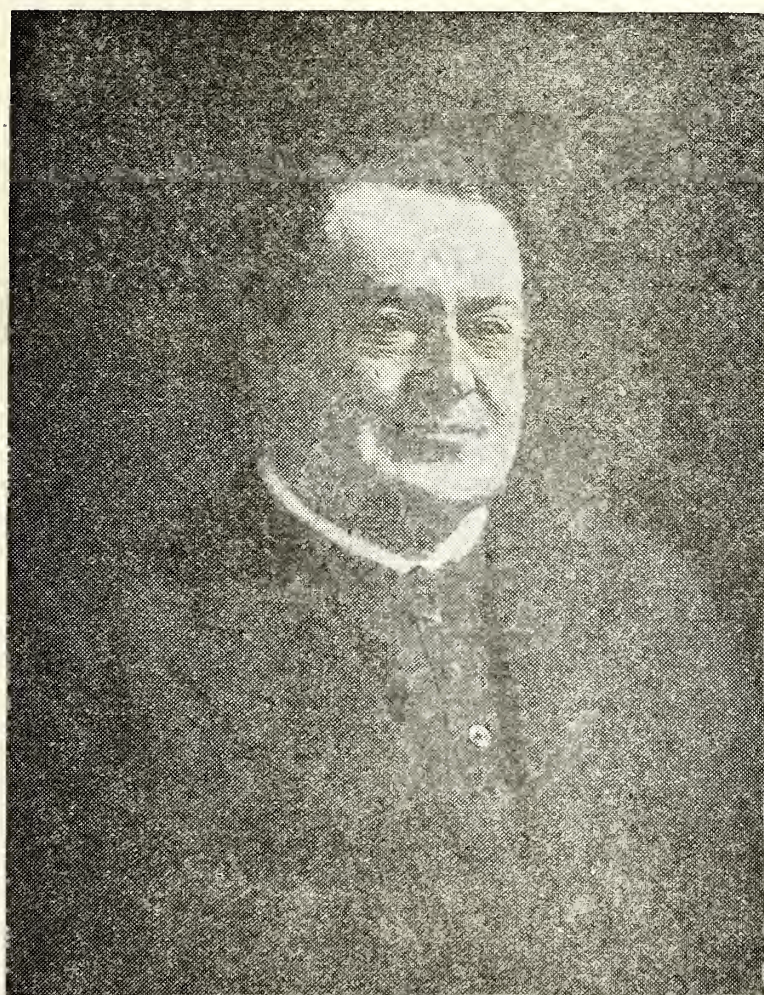


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The Christian Sun



Rev. A. W. Lightbourne D.D.

ORGAN OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

DIVINE FRIENDSHIP.

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The golden text does not exclude any from the gracious promises of our Lord, nor bar the choice of any from receiving and serving the Lord. The scripture does teach, however, that certain ones are chosen and ordained of our Lord for peculiar and a special work to be done, and Christ showed His personal fondness for and deep interest in these twelve by selecting them and ordaining

The New York Advertiser says of him: "Dr. Lightbourne is a successful lecturer, and never fails to impress favorably his hearers. In pathos, poetry, humor and grand description, he stands unrivaled. He joins to a strong intelligence

When God wants a new and a great work done He raises Him up a great man, or a great woman, to do that work. Such was the case in the life of Miss Clara Barton, which went out at her "Red Cross" home, Glen Echo, Md., Friday, April 12, at the ripe age of 90 years. Miss Barton was a "trained nurse" originally, and is known throughout the world as the founder of the Red Cross Society. This is one of the most benevolent, meritorious and humanitarian societies ever founded. Its chiefest and greatest work is on the field of battle when shot and shell, bayonet and bullet, have done their worst, leaving their dead and wounded to the care of tender hands and loving hearts. For

the past several years now wherever there has been battle between armies in martial combat, whether in the East or West, the North or South, of whatever name or tongue, there Miss Barton's Society, with its hands of help and relief, its supplies for the needy and the suffering, was to be found doing its benevolent, its heavenly work. The Red Cross supplied that which government could not undertake and carried aid and relief where states and nations were unavailable.

Miss Barton lived a great life and her name and fame will endure to all eternity.

Social Equality.

It seems that "social equality" has sunk deep into the hearts of some westerners. We had this brought forcibly to mind the other day when we read that five men, two whites and three negroes, were to be hanged in Chicago. The whites protested against being hanged along with the negroes on the ground that it "tended toward social equality." Whether this aversion was to going out of this world together, or going in the next together we have not heard.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

—Rev. I. W. Johnson, Suffolk, has our sympathies in the serious illness of his wife, who was carried to a Suffolk hospital several days ago for an operation.

—In addition to the Woman's Missionary Societies which support a Bible Woman on the foreign field named recently in these columns, the Society in our Burlington Church and the one at Pleasant Grove, Halifax County, Va., each support one, the latter being the only country church with once a month preaching in our acquaintance that does support a worker in foreign lands. And this society has recently decided to do much more than this.

—If you want your heart to beat with a thud of new joy read Raleigh letter this week and see what those brethren and sisters and children and friends are doing. Then if you want a double thrill of joy, and want to make others share that joy, send Pastor L. F. Johnson, or Chairman Chas. H. Stephenson, Raleigh, N. C., a subscription or a check of \$5.00, \$10.00 or more. If yours in the divine philosophy of helping those who help themselves, here is the time, here the place, to give the helping hand. Send the Raleigh brethren a cheering check. They need it, they deserve it, they will appreciate it, and best of all, will invest it for you in the Lord's cause at very greatest advantage.

—It has been a long time since the ed-

itor had a happier and busier day than last Sunday. A gracious invitation from Superintendent Ellis, of the Ramseur High School to preach the baccalaureate sermon at 11 o'clock A. M. was the occasion of our pleasure. A great throng of happy souls, full of life, joy and the activities of the occasion, packed the place of worship. During the day we addressed four separate audiences, patient they were, intelligent, willing, attentive, respectful, long suffering. Prof. Ellis has had a successful year, the school a full attendance. Our stay in Ramseur was made thrice happy in the hospitable home of Brother and Sister T. A. Moffitt, than whom there are no greater hearts and more faithful and loyal souls.

—Mrs. W. H. Carroll, Burlington, N. C., who is chairman of the Woman's Mission Board of the Western N. C. Conference writes that she is finding difficulty in organizing Woman's Missionary Societies in country churches, many giving various excuses. Dear, good women of our country churches, this ought not so to be. You are as much entitled to the benefits and blessings of a Missionary Society, and to the advantages of mission study as your sisters in the cities. And you have as much time and opportunity for acquiring these advantages as those in the cities. The question is one of desire and determination. If the good omen in our country church decide that they want to know about missions, and desire the blessings and benefits of an organized effort then the question be settled and Societies will spring up gloriously in our country churches.

—The work of organizing Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies goes in a most hopeful manner. We knew that our good women would get busy in this great work if given a chance. Our opinion is that in a few years every church in the Southern Convention will have a Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society. Comes now a fine and inspiring report from Mrs. W. H. Carroll, Burlington, to this effect: "We have organized a Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Soc. in our church with twenty-one members. We expect others to join later. Our officers are, Mrs. Edward Teague, President; Mrs. Jas. Montgomery, Vice President; Mrs. Ernest Sellars, Secretary. Mrs. A. B. Kendall, Treas. A mission study class, with our pastor, Rev. A. B. Kendall, teacher is under way, and we anticipate a great deal of pleasure as well as profit from mission study. We are using two books: Western Women in Eastern Lands, and Aliens or Americans."

—President Harper has recently brought from the press a Special Fund

Number of the Elon College Bulletin. This bulletin, besides being beautiful in design, with covers in red and gold with college seal, carries 42 pages. The name of every contributor to the \$50,000. Special Fund is given with the amount each pledged. There is an accurate and illuminating account of the Special Fund, its origin, development and how it was raised. There is also a brief and succinct history of the college, with a statement of the plant as it stands, and several cuts showing the buildings now in use. We congratulate President Harper and Elon College on issuing this publication. It seems to us both creditable and timely, and is worthy of the great movement and epoch-making event which it commemorates. Every contributor to the fund is to receive a copy, we are informed, and this should be, and in many instances will be, retained in the family and handed down as a prized asset in the family possession. We have not seen a publication more timely, fitting, appropriate and worthy.

—Mrs. A. F. Smith, Fuquay Springs, N. C., Secretary of the Woman's Board of Missions for the Eastern North Carolina Conference, sends the wholesome and cheering information that "We organized a Woman's Missionary Society at Wake Chapel 5th Sunday in March (after Sunday school) with twelve charter members. We have set Monday after the third Sunday in April, 3 P. M. as the time of our first meeting. We want to get up an interesting program for that time.

What we need is to be informed. I think some will join a Mission Study Class. Some are willing to join and pay the ten cents per month, but do not care for the work and the study. I told them I would rather they would read and study mission questions and learn of missions than merely to pay their dues. (For I know the money would come if they would only get the matter and the burden of missions on their minds and hearts.)" And Sister Smith is essentially and altogether correct. What we of the Christian church, both men and women, need is a clear and comprehensive understanding of missions. If we only knew, if we could only get the facts and needs and blessings and opportunities as they really exist, upon our minds and hearts, we would have no trouble about the money. We believe every Society should form a Mission Study Class and then read over together, or study separately and discuss some inspiring and enlightening book like Mrs. Montgomery's great book entitled: "Western Women in Eastern Lands," or some kindred book, of which there are many and inexpensive.

KEEP IT IN MIND.

As the time for the next session of the Southern Christian Convention advances, our people in Georgia and Alabama who are deeply interested in the training of our young people for larger and more efficient service grow more and more concerned for the early establishment of a church school in one of these states. Many are the hearts that are anxious to see the Convention undertake this work immediately. This ardent desire to see such a movement in operation is the outgrowth of a crying, consuming need in our midst. A need so urgent and insistent can't be overlooked and passed by with impunity. This fact has not just recently dawned upon us; it has been known for quite a number of years, and now the call is so persistent that we can no longer afford to stop our ears to its cries. We ought to have had a denominational school in Georgia or Alabama at least ten years ago. We needed it then; we can not do without it now, if our work in these states is to prosper as it should. If we expect to extend our borders and to enlarge our usefulness to any considerable extent, we must put a church school in reach of the young people of our conferences. The situation is before us. It will not down. Why not undertake this work in the not distant future? The earlier begun, the better it will be. Delay in this matter means loss to the church. Not to build at all means failure to be able to cope with other denominations. With no church school accessible, we may expect untrained, inefficient leaders, or no leaders at all, which will ultimately mean denominational stagnation and death. If we would live, grow and fill our God-portioned place in this field, we must, at an early date, establish a school where our young people may be trained for Christian service.

Then, too, let it be remembered that the Georgia and Alabama conferences are not asking the Convention to bear the whole burden of building the much-needed school. We are only asking the Convention to take the lead in this matter, to give us an opportunity to work with that body towards the establishment of an institution that would inevitably mean much to our one common cause. With the Convention in the lead, there are loyal hearts among us ready to do a liberal, substantial part. Therefore, brethren of the Educational Board and of the Convention as a whole, we beseech you in Christ's name and in the name of the church, to pass us not by as we plead for your help, your sympathy, your counsel and your prayers. G. O. Lankford.

ELON COLLEGE LETTER.

On Monday evening of last week there occurred a contest in the College Auditorium, the like of which had never been witnessed here nor in this State. It was the first preliminary Peace Contest from which a representative and his alternate were to be chosen for the State Peace Contest to be held in Raleigh on the 19th instant and in which representatives of all the colleges will participate.

The growth of the idea of peace has been very rapid in recent years and while the day has not yet come when the nations have beaten their swords into plow shares and their spears into pruning hooks, it looks as if it may come and within our generation. The Lake Mohonk Conference in this country and the great Hague Conferences on International Peace have had tremendous influence looking to the adjudication of international disputes by arbitration. Millions in money and untold tons of literature, thousands of lectures and addresses throughout the earth are fast disseminating the gospel of peace and brotherhood to the ends of the world.

The promoters of this movement toward universal peace have hit upon a fine plan, it seems to me, for bringing it before the section of our citizens whose thought upon it in future years will determine its success or failure—before College students. For a number of years essays have been written in competition for peace prizes, but somehow failed to stir the interest of students as it had been anticipated. After careful thought it has been decided to have orations delivered in competition in each College, for the selection of the representative to the State contest, from which in turn will be chosen a representative to the Inter-State Contest each year. None of these contests are to cost the Colleges anything nor the representatives, the money being provided by benevolent friends who do not let their names be known. In addition there are prizes of \$75 and \$50 for first and second orators in each State Contest and of larger sums for the Inter-State Contest.

In this way the Peace Movement is presented in each College each year and so the sentiment for it molded in the hearts of the hearers are ere long to control the public opinion of their several communities. From the first there has been a lively interest in the contest here and, while it was twice postponed, once on account of a misunderstanding as to the time of the State Contest and later on account of the repairs being made on the College Auditorium, it was anticipated with joyful enthusiasm by all the students.

There were five competitors for the

place as Elon's representative and they contested for that honor before three impartial judges: Revs. L. I. Cox and S. J. Sox, and Mr. J. R. McNally, thus illustrating the method by which universal peace advocates desire all disputes among nations to be settled.

Each speaker presented the claims of the Peace Movement from a different standpoint. Mr. E. L. Daughtry conceived war as a dragon, which had been sapping the vitality of the nations since the world began, but which had received a death-dealing blow and was now dying, the Peace Movement having dealt the blow.

Mr. John G. Truitt spoke of the different eras of the world, such as those of conquest, discovery, freedom politically and religiously, of industrialism, of invention, and felt that all signs pointed to this as the era of world-wide peace.

Mr. J. A. Dickey, Jr., conceived it to be the duty of the United States to the world to give it universal peace, and based his belief upon the peculiar situation geographically of the United States, the simplicity of her foreign policy, and the universal belief of the nations in her integrity and disinterestedness of purpose in her dealings with other peoples.

Mr. C. B. Riddle, himself a ministerial student, discussed the Peace Movement from the standpoint of the Scriptures, and showed that Christianity and war are incompatible.

The concluding speaker, Mr. W. L. Anderson, pictured the upward struggle of the race from savagery to civilization and from civilization to enlightenment and showed that every advance step had been a movement in the direction of peace and brotherhood and conceived of universal peace as the culminating step in the world's progress and felt sure that this step would soon be taken.

The contest was worthy of the College and of the excellent young men who participated in it and has done much to stimulate interest in this great cause among the students.

Mr. John G. Truitt was chosen to represent Elon in the State contest and Mr. W. L. Anderson was made his alternate by the decision committee, the arbitration court of award. W. A. Harper.

Thank You.

Our Mission Secretary In Porto Rico

Let me thank you, Mr. Editor, for your good ringing words in behalf of our missionary work. Being at this moment on one of our fields, what you say comes to me with added force. I must write you.

This is penned in the home of Rev. D.

P. Barnett and family, Ponce, Porto Rico.

The *Christian Sun* reached here last evening. Your readers know my mission, if they have carefully read your columns. Last night brought me refreshing sleep; but this morning my heart is heavy. Often I cure this malady by plunging into crowded streets and busy marts. Have just tried the remedy here, and have been wandering through Ponce's congested streets and her big market, but without relief. Perhaps writing this may ease the burden a bit.

Five years ago my first visit was made to this field. Meanwhile many changes have occurred, and mostly for the better. Uncle Sam's educational achievement has been remarkable, and in proximity to schools conditions seem better than elsewhere. Without doubt, too, Porto Rico has a quickened moral, social, and religious conscience. There are evidences a plenty.

Our missionary work shows the advancement also. Less than five years ago we hadn't a foot of real estate on the island. But in the year 1907 Salinas gave us a lot and we erected our first church. I passed it the other day coming from San Juan, and felt a pride in it. It is a good church; but the handsome new Catholic church on the same block eclipses ours—was probably made possible by ours. Last Sunday afternoon we attended Sunday-school in the little chapel at Canas, a western suburb of Ponce, where the Porto Rico Christian Conference erected the chapel at a cost of between \$200 and \$300, more than two years ago. It is still unpainted. Forty-seven children and adults were at Sunday-school, an interested and orderly group. Five years ago we were renting a nice little home for religious purposes, and combatted multiplied difficulties.

A few evenings ago a party of four of us went to Salinas for a visit with Miss Mishler, and service there.

Two years ago we were all but driven out of town, with no place for service or home for the missionary. We now own a large lot and house, which afford Miss Mishler a home, rooms for a medical dispensary, and a moderate-sized "hall" for services. During service every seat was filled, people stood about the entrance, a candidate was baptized, and a group of believers received the Lord's supper in memory of Him.

Day before yesterday we went to Manzanilla, a town not even mentioned in my hearing five years ago. The town—or hamlet, rather—is more than half composed of cane-thatch houses, oh, so poor! We stopped in front of a new thatched house, drank the "milk" of cocoanut to quench our thirst; and then Bro. Barrett mar-

ried the couple living in the house. I will not attempt to describe the squalor in which Bro. Barrett found this woman a year or two ago. To-day she is a bright, tidy-looking woman undoubtedly a Christian, soon to join the church, living in a new house, with a husband and family sharing in her uplift.

A good Ohio brother sent \$10 down here to pay for frame work to erect a house for worship in Manzanilla. Over the framework the people put cane thatch. This is undoubtedly the most unique "chapel" under control of the Christian denomination; and yet it is such a poor affair! Thank God, however, that here is a group of believers, the beginning of a church. Several of the people have been married since work was begun at that place.

In the evening of the same day we held service at Arus. Five years ago the Mission Secretary spoke to a few; this time to a houseful of people, while a would be bride and groom and wedding party waited on the outside. This time he preached to a very intelligent audience in an airy, tiny chapel, where everything was in perfect order. This property cost us nearly \$700, and must still be fenced in. And there are saints who worship in the Arus chapel.

Ever since we began missionary work down here, we have rented a "hall" in Ponce, paying, during the time, between \$2,500 and \$3,000 for rent. Now we own a fine lot two or three squares from the public square of the city, but in the heart of town. Contractors are figuring on plans for a new church building to be erected on the lot.

Last evening I went to Christian Endeavor meeting in our "hall." The street was quiet when we entered the building; but when meeting was well begun, boys began skating on the sidewalk, shouting and racketing around, until our meeting was almost broken up. A policeman finally came and dispersed the malicious "gang."

But why should the acquisition of half a dozen church properties, and gathering of Christian believers make the Mission Secretary down-hearted? Why should evident progress oppress him?

Well, it's not these recited facts that make him heavy-hearted, but the following: Rev. T. E. White has been absent from the Salinas field a year and a half, and we have no missionary there; Miss Mishler leaves on furlough in a few days, and no one will be left to carry on her work: most of the field between Ponce and Santa Isabel is worked by Bro. Pedro Roman, and this year there is not a dollar in the appropriation to support him; he will probably have to be dropped; Bro. Barrett and family are in need of a furlough long past due, and may have to return to the States before long. At best,

therefore, we will have but one Porto Rico pastor at the east end of the field, and one missionary at the west end. What will happen to the work?

Why this condition of affairs? Well, in the first place, these missionaries have held on and on because there was no one else to carry the work. And why no one else? Because there is not enough money. The appropriation had to be cut \$700 this year, and that cut off two or more Porto Rico workers. The missionaries themselves have been putting their own money into the work, until they have reached the point of embarrassment.

Our property here has been purchased and acquired by special funds. We have been cutting off rents, and yet the financial embarrassment has increased. Why? Bro. Barrett has just told me that living expenses have doubled since he came to Porto Rico. Rents have more than doubled. Our Ponce rents alone are nearly \$60 a month, and we are fortunate at that rate. But as fast as we acquire property, then expenses of maintenance and repair and insurance accumulate. And then workers have to be developed and wholly or partly supported meantime. And the serious aspect of the situation now is that when the missionaries are gone we have not Porto Rico pastors to shoulder the responsibility. We could have, if there were money.

About \$500 would enable us to hold on to Pedro Roman, and train another brother who studies with Bro. Barrett. \$600 more would enable us to put a substitute into the field during Miss Mishler's absence. But to properly man our field and keep the work along will require all of \$2,000 more than we can appropriate this year. Every time we slack up, other bodies wish to press into our field to help us; and soon the camel could easily fill the whole tent, while we stay outside.

Do you now wonder that the Mission Secretary is heavy-hearted? Do you see how necessary it is that we enlarge our mission funds? We actually need \$25,000 this year. I would to God that as a denomination we might support our missions because of downright conviction of duty and responsibility and joy in obedience. I would that several thousand of us who think that we believe in missions, really did believe. I would that some of our wealthy and prosperous brethren might come to Porto Rico to see for themselves, and drop a few big lumps into our mission treasury. What do you say to the \$25,000 proposition?

M. T. Morrill.

A little prize offered for the best missionary essay will set your society to reading missionary books.

WOMAN'S COUNSEL.

N. Summerbell said something like the following:

Jesus' mother said "unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it."

Pilate's wife seemed to have a presentment of Jesus' divinity.

Some people suppose women more highly favored than men; being more in grace.

Our Savior is "the seed of the woman."

Mary gave him to the world, and said, "Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it."

Many women followed Jesus from Galilee.

Women of Jerusalem wept over him.

A woman came first to the grave on the resurrection morning.

Of a Syrophoenician woman Jesus said, "I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel."

Women are generally right on moral questions. They desire a husband to be sober, industrious, prosperous. They themselves do not drink, swear, or gamble, except as first led on by men.

Elizabeth and Mary were the first inspired persons of the New Testament story.

Paul said that women had "the dead" raised for them, in the olden times. But in the new covenant, Jesus raised the dead for the "widow of Nain;" for Martha and Mary. And Doreas was raised for the widows.

Moses was saved from death at his birth by the ark of bulrushes made by his mother; he was watched over by his sister, Miriam; and he was drawn from the water by Pharaoh's daughter.

It is a good thing, in religion, to counsel with your sister, or wife. Mary's counsel was good: "Whatsoever he saith unto you, do."

Mere reasoning may be futile. The woman's instinct of faith may be better than infidelity. Faith leads upward. Doubt leads to delay, to death. Time goes on, eternal causes continue to operate, and your delay leaves you in the increasing current, drifting toward the rapids. What of it, even though you cannot see them! The roar of evil that frightens the woman by you, she interprets correctly. Do what Jesus commands, even though you may not understand all the philosophy of the religion of Christ. Remember, your treatment of God and of Jesus has not been so complimentary and pleasing to them that you have put them under obligations to take you into all their counsels, and reveal to you the deep things of heavenly government. J. J. Summerbell.

Dayton, Ohio.

RALEIGH CHRISTIAN CHURCH
BUILDING FUND.

Dear Friends: The Officers of our Christian Church Improvement Society feel greatly encouraged over the outlook for our new church. We are receiving help from many. We sincerely hope that you will not let this opportunity slip, but that you will respond promptly with at least some small contribution for this worthy cause.

Standing of the Fund—

Reported March 27\$5,123.70

Received April 3rd:

D. N. Crocker	2.00
J. R. Williamson	1.00
W. M. Drake	2.00
J. F. Watkins	1.00
F. Henry Bunch	5.00
Arthur Barker	1.00
Clarence B. Gill	3.00
Raymond Strickland	1.00
William Wyatt	1.00
Mrs. J. E. Stevick	5.00
Total	\$5,144.70

Easter Offering—

W. N. Patting	.25
Byron Sann	.25
W. J. Applewhite	.50
Mrs. W. H. H. Jones (2nd gift) ..	1.00
Mrs. Oscar Summers	1.00
Miss Etta Bridgers	1.00
Joseph B. Perkins	1.00
Graver C. Glenco	1.00
C. C. McDonnold, Jr.	1.00
W. H. Austin	1.00
E. M. Brannon	1.00
N. G. Fonville	1.00
D. M. Spence	2.00
S. W. Johnson	2.00
W. B. Drake	2.00
W. G. Womble	2.00
W. L. Sumner	2.50
W. T. Smith	2.50

Children's Easter Offering:

Helen Andrews	1.00
Gladys Poole	4.00
Elgin Poole	2.00
Clementine Stephenson	1.00
Hermas Stephenson	1.00
Tena Maie Stephenson	1.00
Chas. Stephenson, Jr.	.80
John Fleming	.40
Carmen Jones	.50
Fleda Sumners	.50
Harry Sumners	.50
L. F. Johnson, Jr.	1.00
Elsie Strickland	1.00
Willey and Neva Spears	.40
Birthday Bank	8.54
First Sunday collection	2.95
Interest on Do.	3.71

Personal continued:

Mrs. W. D. Lawrence	2.30
J. T. Holt	5.00

Miss Ruth Fleming	5.00
Dr. J. B. Watson	5.00
Prof. Z. N. Judd	5.00
S. R. Seman	5.00
Pet Tucker	5.00
C. R. Boone	5.00
W. B. Hunter	5.00
J. D. Gunter	5.00
Miss Myrtha Fleming	10.00
A. H. Adams	10.00
H. E. Litchford	10.00
E. B. Crow	10.00
D. F. Fort, Jr.	10.00
W. B. Wright	10.00
G. W. Phillips	10.00
Koonce Bros.	10.00
Frank Smith	5.00
W. H. Williamson	25.00
W. W. Vass	25.00
William Walker Jones	25.00
Mrs. N. C. Royster	25.00
B. W. Cord	50.00
Sunday school Class No. 3	50.00
Ladies Aid Society	100.00
E. C. Hillyer	200.00
John A. Mills	1,000.00
Grand total	\$6,800.00

Subscribers, 289.

Thanks to all subscribers.

Sincerely, L. F. Johnson, Pastor.

310 W. Edenton St. Raleigh, N. C.

Raleigh.

Raleigh, April 9.—Our friends may be interested to hear that Easter Sunday was one of the best days in the history of our little church at Raleigh. The Easter services of the morning were under the auspices of the Auxiliary Societies of the church and were thoroughly enjoyed by the congregation. The evening services consisted of an address by the pastor and the Easter Cantata, by the church choir. The sweetest spirit and fellowship and liberality prevailed in all the worship of the day. The largest offerings ever made in a single day in our church were made. The cash offering was seventeen hundred and nineteen dollars with sixteen hundred and fifty five dollars to add to our building fund. Of said amount, Mr. J. A. Mills gave one thousand dollars—and Mrs. E. C. Hillyer, two hundred dollars. We are grateful for all the large and small amounts received. We feel confident about the work now. Hope all friends will respond promptly to our call for help so we can close the campaign for money as soon as possible.

L. F. Johnson, Pastor.

The railroads are doing well to consider the reduction of speeds from 60 or 80 to 45 miles an hour. The essential thing in railroading, after all, is to arrive.

SUFFOLK LETTER.

As the time of the Convention draws nearer I am more deeply impressed with the importance of this session and the value of the Convention to the church. All the great enterprises of the conferences are under the fostering care of the Convention: all of them originated in the Convention and would languish or die without its oversight and support.

It is exactly twenty years since the Orphanage, under a suggestion in the President's address at Elon College in 1892, took root in the Convention and finally became a reality. Any local movement by conference or church would have meant failure for such an enterprise; but it is now an active, growing institution caring for orphans and developing the churches and Sunday schools. It is high time every Sunday school within the bounds of the Convention, should make a monthly offering to the "Christian Orphanage." It should be the task for every pastor to see to it that every Sunday school in his charge become a monthly contributor to the "Christian Orphanage." Some Sunday in the month should be chosen as "Orphanage Sunday." The school should on that chosen day make a special offering to the "Christian Orphanage." The school should not take its regular offering for that day to give it to that purpose, but make the offering, by classes, separate from all other offerings. Every school could average one dollar a month and that would make two thousand dollars a month, to say nothing of the schools that give more. The Convention "motto" should be a monthly offering in every Sunday school for the "Christian Orphanage."

Elon College, Home and Foreign Missions, bear similar relations to the Convention. Think of the extra-ordinary session of the Convention held at New Providence church in 1888, when the College was born; in 1890 she was able to sit alone; and from that year until this the College has steadily grown. The quickened intelligence, the deepening sense of obligation to church enterprises, the laudable pride in church growth, and the hope inspired in the church, are all products in large part of this Convention undertaking. It is true that all families in the church have not patronized our school; but many of them have, and others have been inspired to send to other institutions. So the good work has gone forward. Thousands are now contributing to Missions, to charity, and to the benevolences who did not really know of them till the Convention informed, requested and inspired such gifts. The

Convention has furnished a point of contact, a center of co-operation, a clearing house, for the thought, the purpose, and the daring of church leaders. It does a Conference good to have active representatives in the Convention. It kindles the fires in the hearts of a local church for their pastor to be an active leader in his Conference and the Convention. Again and again we have seen active laymen as the result of a live working pastor. The church needs leaders as well as preachers. Jesus did not say: "Listen at my sermons;" He said "Follow me." He was leader as well as preacher. Ministers should be and may be both preachers and leaders.

If I could, I would inspire every delegate with the conviction that his highest duty is to attend the Convention and remain till the final benediction.

W. W. Staley.

NORFOLK LETTER.

The Tidewater Christian Sunday School Association met at the Third Church yesterday afternoon. Miss Arabella Winston, superintendent of the Freemason Street Baptist Church Primary department, read an interesting paper on Primary Work, and also showed how their class records and equipments were cared for. The primary work at the Third Christian Church was also exhibited as a feature of the program. Rev. John W. Shackford, pastor of the Colonial Avenue Methodist Church, spoke on Adult Bible Classes and their Work. The several schools were well represented. Newport News had no delegates, but that is caused by the lack of proper transportation facilities across the bay at the needed time. We hope this may in time be arranged more conveniently. If you will turn back to the issue of The Sun which contained the previous reports, you can compare them with the following for January, February, and March:

Average per cent. of attendance:

Third Church	70.0 per cent.
Rosemont	69.8 per cent.
South Norfolk	59.5 per cent.
Berkley	49.7 per cent.
Memorial Temple	49.3 per cent.
Portsmouth	46.9 per cent.
Lambert's Point	41.5 per cent.

Average attendance of offering per pupil on basis of five cents at 100 per cent.

Church	Per cent.
Rosemont	100
Third Church	90
Lambert's Point	86
Memorial Temple	76
Portsmouth	54
Berkley	48

South Norfolk 28

Average gain of new members:

Church	Per cent.
Lambert's Point	84.3
South Norfolk	23.1
Third Church	20.1
Rosemont	15.8
Berkley	14.3
Memorial Temple	14.2
Portsmouth	11.7

One feature which the previous meeting showed is that too much dead weight is carried on our Sunday school rolls. The new rule which went into force at beginning of above quarter was that all persons absent during every Sunday of the month preceding any new quarter should be dropped and not counted in "Enrollment at Beginning of Quarter" following. The following shows how the rule worked:

Last Quar. New Quar.
closed with began with

Lambert's Point	70	51
South Norfolk	201	138
Third Church	157	139
Portsmouth	270	170
Memorial Temple	344	252
Berkley	169	132
Rosemont	63	63

This shows that Rosemont did not lose a single scholar during December. Good for Rosemont! A rule was adopted at Sunday's convention that no school would hereafter be given any credit for new pupils unless they were in excess of the previous enrollment. By this ruling, for instance, if a school loses 25 pupils, it must first regain in that quarter the number lost. In other words, a school must hold its own in order to get credit for gain.

The following is order of points for the quarter ending April 1st:

Church	Per cent.
Lambert's Point	 212
Rosemont	 192
Third Church	 180
Memorial Temple	 140
Portsmouth	 113
Berkley	 112
South Norfolk	 102

April 15th, 1912. A. M. Hanson

—We note that our beloved neighbor, The Burlington News, refers to Editor O. E. Crowson, of the Durham Sun as "Rev." O. E. Crowson. How come "Rev.?" Or does Brother Andrews think that Crowson's leaving the News, a weekly, and going to The Sun, a daily, sufficient ground for conferring the title? Or has Crowson really taken out orders? There were rumors to the latter effect, which, till we learn otherwise, we will fondly hope were well-founded.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS and CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Edited by Charles A. Hines, Greensboro, N. C., editorial secretary of the Young People's General Convention.

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Motto: A Christian Endeavor Society in each Church; Teacher Training and Organized Classes in each Sunday-School.

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The secretary will be glad to give any information as to any of the things the convention stands for and where literature can be obtained. Contributions are invited and every class or society should make frequent reports to the above address.

HOME MISSIONS.

In connection with our Christian Endeavor Topic for April 28, we have an opportunity for profitable work and plans for the society. Christian Endeavor has ever been missionary. It should continue to be so. Endeavorers should be liberal givers and should study the subject of missions.

The lesson also affords an ample field for discussion of the early Christian church and the men in the denomination that have been our missionaries. Give members of the society the names of O'Kelly, Kerr, Iseley, Wellons, Smith and others whose names have made bright the annals of our church. Have others tell of home missionaries of the present generation. Who are some of the men that have built new churches and established new congregations in the last twenty-five years? Learn something of the work of Elder and others in Georgia and Alabama, Barrett and others in Eastern Virginia. It has had a really remarkable development and it is due to a few untiring and loyal men who have not known how to give up. Learn of them, praise them, emulate them. The more you learn about our denomination the happier you will be that you are a part of it.

The State Baraca-Philathea Convention for North Carolina met in Salisbury last Saturday, Sunday and Monday. Marshal A. Hudson, founder of Baraca, was the principal speaker.

Again we would remind Sunday school superintendents of the request of our General Convention for \$1.00 from each school. Also we hope that every person or society that made pledges will pay without again having to be reminded.

The editor of this department would like very much to communicate with any person who believes that in his church there is an opportunity to organize a Sunday school class, Teacher Training class

or Christian Endeavor Society. Some young man might take hold of this and write me. A good speaker will be provided, and it might prove a happy day for the church and mean much to the congregation in the future.

NOTES ON C. E. TOPIC, APR. 28.

Subject:—"The Home Missions of My Denomination. A Bird's Eye View."

Psalms 33:8-22.

A month ago we had the topic "The Foreign Missions of My Denominations." This time we turn to Home Missions. This gives an opportunity for members to do some research work. Learn something about the Home Missions of your church, and what has been accomplished by the efforts of brave and loyal men. The following topics are suggested:

1. Some of our Early Missionaries.
2. Some of the Home Missionaries of Today.
3. The Early History of the Denomination.
4. Encouraging the Missionary Spirit.
5. Opportunities for the Church.

"The reports of the United States Commissioner of Immigration show that immigrants came from more than forty different countries to make their homes in America. These people are invading our land at the rate now of a million a year, from every nation under the heavens. There are foreigners, right here in America, from every land to which we send foreign missionaries."

"In Seattle there are six bands of Japanese Christians working for the salvation of their brothers' souls, as follows: A Baptist, a Congregational, an Episcopal, a Methodist, a Presbyterian and an independent society, called Doshi Kai (meaning "of the same heart"). Three of these have, in a measure, the institutional feature, with dormitory. These bands are doing a good work, but considering the Buddhist temple's opposition, and the numbers of Japanese in the city, there is great work to be done, if we, as Christians, are to hold our own."

"The very day the immigrant stands on Ellis Island, Christian hearts and hands are ready to minister to the alien's needs. Many of the Christian denominations have workers who distribute tracts, Bibles, papers, and who give aid in many ways. Much is being done in our cities and in the foreign settlements through the country, but large gifts are needed to help meet our obligation to the foreigners. The Bible and helpful books need to be scattered in their homes. Sunday-schools need to be started that their children may be taught the Word of God. Churches need to be supported in which the Gospel can be preached."

"Japan, with her 500 islands, has a population of 296 to the square mile, or 43,763,000 people. It is estimated that there is enough land to be properly developed in California to support a population equal to that of Japan. The population of this whole section is now nearly seven millions. This means that California alone can support a population more than six times as large as that of all these eleven states; but California, great as it is, is only one-seventh of the territory embraced. These states have resources to support a population forty-two times as large as at present, or three times as many people as are in the whole United States today, and do it well."

The home missionary in the mining districts in the West often finds homes that have no copy of the word of God. When the missionary next called and asked what progress the young mother had made in reading it, he found that she had found that she had read it half through and had accepted Christ as her Saviour.

A young missionary, says The Record of Christian Work, during the building of a little church on the western plains, boarded in an upper room on \$1.50 a week, putting the \$3.00 sent him by the home missionary society into the church building. Another, of like calibre, returned \$25 a month to the society to be used in some more needy field. This is what some call "consecration."

It is a home-mission work to fight the saloon, an evil that is within striking distance. It is a sad fact that the use of intoxicating liquors is increasing in this country in spite of the refraining temperance sentiment. One hundred and seventy-five million gallons of whiskey and similar liquors were distilled in the United States from July 1, 1910, to June 30, 1911. This is seven millions more than in 1907, the last year of record. Two thousands million gallons were withdrawn from government warehouses, which means that 22 gallons per capita were consumed. Here is something to fight.

Daily Readings.

- M.—The home field, Matt. 9:35-38.
T.—Home-field orders, Matt. 10: 5-8.
W.—How missions grow, Acts 8:1-4.
T.—Mission visitation, Acts 11:19-26.
F.—Instructions, Titus 2:1-7.
S.—Infectious zeal, 2 Cor. 9:1, 2.
Sun., Apr. 28.—Topic.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR NOTES.

It is amazing to see how a languishing society can leap into life.

The Benton Harbor, Mich., Christian society was weak only a few weeks ago. A contest—a trip around the world—was started. At the end of the first week

twenty-six new members were added to the list; at the end of the third week, thirty-six more. From a membership of less than thirty the numbers increased to more than ninety.

The attendance has arisen correspondingly. Another change has come: whereas two or three used to take part in the meetings, twenty now participate.

Moral: Never bury a society. You cannot tell whether it is dead or not.

A revival meeting conducted by a Christian Endeavor Society, is not exactly an every-day affair.

The Stratton, Col., society, however, invited Field Secretary Jaeger to conduct evangelistic services. There were many conversions, and the young people's spiritual life was greatly quickened.

The Endeavorers did the advertising, furnished special music, and held prayer meetings while the field secretary was preaching. One evening a class of eight boys furnished music, and when the invitation was given to those desiring to enter the Christian life, everyone responded.

A hurricane contest in the McLemore Avenue Christian society, Memphis, Tenn., swept 124 new members into the society, not to speak of new interest. At one service three hundred were present. The contest was between an east and a west wind; and the east wind was victorious.

They have now an army and navy contest for efficiency. There is a captain for each side, and the officers and chairmen are designated by terms appropriate to army or navy, according to their side.—C. E. World.

ELON COLLEGE NOTES.

On Thursday evening of last week Dr. Charles Lee Raper, Dean of the Graduate School of the University of N. C. delivered a lecture before the Faculty and student body in the College Auditorium. Dr. Raper discussed the causes and results of the high cost of living and made a lasting impression upon his hearers. This lecture was not only instructive and helpful, but at the same time highly interesting and entertaining.

The College has just received two very attractive publications from the press, one of which is the new catalogue, containing 153 pages, and the other is the Special Fund Bulletin. The catalogue number of the bulletin contains many new features, most important of which is a complete history of the College. The Special Fund Bulletin contains a history of the Special Fund, a list of the subscribers to this fund, and some cuts of the improvements for which the Special Fund was raised. This is a valuable publication and will be received with much interest.

Rev. J. F. McCulloch, D. D., of Greens-

boro, N. C., filled the pulpit yesterday and preached a most excellent sermon, using as his subject "The true Elements of Success."

Dr. J. U. Newman preached in the Methodist Church of Burlington yesterday morning and night.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson has gone to Ramseur, N. C., where he delivers the baccalaureate sermon at the commencement of the High School at 11 A. M., and preaches at night on the theme of Civic Righteousness.

Miss Vivian Atkinson and her mother, of Wake County, N. C., have been visiting Mrs. Jones on Faculty Row.

TOWARD CHURCH UNION.

Within the last few years several Christian denominations have drawn closer together. The old-time spirit of rivalry or dubious approval is giving way to the spirit of co-operation. Stress is now laid on things more essential than minor differences of creed and petty details of organization and government.

The new spirit has a noteworthy illustration in Canada, where the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational churches have come together, not merely in a truce or under a working agreement, but completely, in a union that recognizes but one organization and one statement of faith.

The movement toward union began some twelve years ago, in an effort of

the three denominations to avoid rivalry and confusion in home missionary work. That effort was so successful that Christianity has now been placed above denomination, and religion above creed; and as a result there is at hand a real union, in which the Calvinistic emphasis of law, the Methodist fervor for conversion and the Congregationalist love of democracy are the sources of strength in a powerful and progressive united church that will be the next to the largest religious body in the Dominion.

The same spirit appears in this country in the union of the Baptists and the Free Baptists; in numerous local instances, especially in country places where different denominations have united, with great benefit to the cause of Christianity, and therefore to the community; and also in the cases in the nation at large in which great denominations have agreed not to compete in the same field.

In missionary work also, in which the various organizations have had little more in common than the sects themselves, there is a growing realization that competition is a sad waste of energy. Of special significance, therefore, was the recent New York Conference, which was attended by the officers of the foremost home and foreign missionary societies—men who have the spending of fifty million dollars a year for missionary purposes. It was the first conference of its kind, but it will not be the last.—Youth's Companion.

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HOME MISSIONS IN THE CHRISTIAN
CHURCH.

(Read by Mamie Holland at the Mission-
ary Jubilee in Suffolk).

The Home Mission Report to the Con-
vention in New Bedford, Massachusetts,
in 1886, shows that the Christian Church
was doing Home Mission work, at that
time, in twenty states of the United States
and in the province of Ontario, Canada;
and there has been a steady increase in
Home Mission work in the denomination
since that time.

The denomination was rent in twain
at the Convention, which met in Cincin-
nati in 1854, by the causes which final-
ly led to the Civil War, and this separa-
tion into north and south continued for
thirty-six years. During that period the
southern branch of the church knew little
of general denominational operations ex-
cept in its own small field. At the Ma-
rion, Indiana, Convention in 1890 the de-
nominational branches were united; and
this was the first union of divided church-
es after the war, and it has unified and
strengthened the Home Mission bond and
opened the way for larger and more use-
ful activities in the Mission field.

The head offices of the Home Mission
Secretary is located in Dayton, Ohio, and
the work extends more toward the grow-
ing west than toward the east and south.

The last report of the Secretary, made
in 1910, shows contributions of thirty-five
thousand dollars as direct offerings and
eighty thousand dollars from co-opera-
tion agencies. These funds are spent
chiefly in paying salaries of missionary
workers. Much missionary money and ef-
fort in local fields never find their way
into regular reports.

Sixty-six missionaries are employed in
fifty-five localities, and in twenty-five
states and provinces. About two-fifths of
the mission points are in cities and large

towns; six in capital cities; and ten in
county seats.

There are Sunday schools in the Chris-
tian Church in Boston for Chinese and
Syrian immigrants, and a lady working
as a missionary among the Syrians in that
city.

In 1910 reports were sent in by fifty
Woman's Home Mission Societies and
seventeen study classes, with five thou-
sand dollars raised by women, and the
Society had life members in eleven states.

The quarter of a century in which the
women of the Christian Church have been
doing organized mission work has increas-
ed the interest in missions, the contribu-
tions to missions, and the efficiency of all
the Boards in their work.

Our church has not done enough to in-
spire boasting, even among themselves;
but enough has been done to inspire the
hope that the future will witness an in-
crease of interest among the people, and
gradually increase systematic and thought-
ful giving to the Mission cause. Local
organizations, doing work on their own
account, have sprung up throughout the
denomination, and many of these are do-
ing praiseworthy service.

The good spirit of God and the time's
 ceaseless tide spur the protestant churches
on to greater mission undertakings in the
name of Christ, and closer together in His
name, for the evangelization and salva-
tion of the lost and neglected in the home-
land; and it seems to me that Woman's
work is just begun. As women minister-
ed to Jesus when He was here among men
we ought to count it all joy to minister
in His name to a dying world.

FLY SEASON COMING.

Swat Early and Avoid the Rush.

These days mark the dawn of another
fly season. In fact, recent advice indi-
cates that an occasional fly has been sight-
ed here and there. Swat him, and do it
now. Remember, so far as the fly ques-
tion is concerned, a swat in time saves
nine. Some enthusiastic mathematician
has figured out for us, that laboring under
perfect conditions, a Mrs. Fly will lay
120 eggs, which mature into flies in from
twelve to fifteen days. Swat her. These
in turn produce 7,200 grandchildren
twelve to fifteen days later. Swat Them.
The next generation, we are told, reaches
the enormous number of 432,000, to be
swatted. And so on, until by fall or late
summer our mathematician estimates
that the grand total number of descend-
ants of this one original Mrs. Fly amounts
to some 1,096,181,249,310,720,000,000;-
000; or amass having a cubical content

greater than the earth itself. TOO MANY
TO SWAT. A few ciphers more or less
mean nothing to us. Such figures are
mathematics gone mad. It simply em-
phasizes the fact that a swat in time
saves nine, if not more. As a matter of
fact, comparatively few descendants from
each successive generation of flies ever
live to reach maturity or old age. A very
few withstand the rigor of winter, and
herein lies our cue. If we can success-
fully combat these few now, and abolish
their breeding places, our lot for the sum-
mer will be easier.

It has been well said that "A man's
flies are they of his own household."
We are fast learning that the number
of flies in a house or community is
an excellent index to the sanitary con-
ditions or cleanliness of that house or
community. Some day, soon, we will
consider the fly as much a disgrace in
our home as we now consider the bed-
bug. In fact, it is already, but we don't
know it yet!

To a very large extent our freedom
from flies for the summer depends on
the effectiveness of our first attacks dur-
ing the next few months. Five or ten-
cent investments in wire cloth fly swatters
placed in the hands of small boys and
girls yield excellent returns. Their enor-
mous amount of exuberance and youth-
ful enthusiasm may be put to good pur-
pose in this manner, instead of letting it
run to waste under the name of mischief.
In the meantime, if all possible breeding
places, such as manure piles, night soil,
garbage, and filth of all kinds are effective-
ly destroyed, removed, or buried,
the result so far as flies and disease
are concerned will be well worth the ef-
fort. Let's try it.—N. C. State Board of
Health.

—Senator Lodge recited in a Congres-
sional debate recently that seventy-two
thousand lives were lost in battle in the
wars of 1911. That does not sound so
much like peace.

—ExGovernor Aycock was to have open-
ed his campaign for a seat in the United
States Senate from North Carolina at
the auditorium in Raleigh last Friday
night. In stead an audience of 2,000 peo-
ple, with distinguished speakers from over
the State, gathered to pay tribute to the
memory of the illustrious, but departed
statesman. Man proposes; God disposes,
and does so ever in love and wisdom and
kindly consideration. The name of Ay-
cock is embalmed in the affections of the
people forever, and there are not, nor
will there be, factional differences or
disputes about his purpose and position
in life.

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Address orders to The Christian Sun, Elon College, N. C.

—If the people of this country knew and practiced "intensive farming" even to the extent that the Japanese do the tilled fields of Iowa alone would support more than the population of the United States.

—Gen. Frederick D. Grant, son of ex-President Ulyses S. Grant, and himself a soldier of high rank, in charge of the Department of the East with headquarters in N. Y., died very suddenly, supposedly of heart failure, at the Hotel Buckingham, New York, last Thursday evening, April 11th.

—The Senate passed an army appropriation bill April 12 carrying \$93,314,710 or \$7,537,453 more than when it passed the House and \$2,726,925 more than last year's bill. Uncle Sam may stint himself in some particulars, but when it comes to cash for his army and navy he opens his wallet and lets fly.

—We have heard men say, Don't trouble about what you owe others: let the ones you owe trouble about that. We do not agree, for that ideal is too low. We

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like better this bit of philosophy from The Youth's Companion of recent date. "The men who, in the final accounting, find the largest balance to their credit in the book of life, are these who were more concerned about what they owed to others than about what others owed to them.

—No wonder folks drink coca cola and chew Reynolds tobacco. They have to because so much is written, printed and said about them. Mr. Chandler, of Atlanta, who has made a mint of money on his five-cent drink, spends a million dollars a year advertising it, and R. J. Reynolds, of Winston-Salem, spends over a half million a year advertising his 5 and 10-cent brand of tobacco. The power over the human mind of suggestion and constant appeal is one which may be used with might either for evil or for good.

—The old Presbyterian parsonage at Caldwell, N. J., which was the birthplace of Grover Cleveland, has been purchased by the Cleveland Memorial Association for \$20,000 and will be made

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My Dear Children and Friends:

This is an off week in all departments. We are sorry that so few of our children write these weeks. Boys and girls, we need you every month in the year to make our department interesting and helpful. We beg you to write at least once per month. We are in need of 100 Sunday schools that will send us an offering each month whether large or small—this will give us a regular income and one upon which we can depend for living expenses. We recently sent out an appeal to the schools that have not made monthly offerings, to begin NOW to do so. Do not wait. We need your co-operation for this year, as our Orphanage family will very soon be largely increased. The Executive Committee accepted 5 applications today which makes 56 on hand and accepted; but we had notice a few days ago that four would not come, so it leaves us with a family of 52 children present and accepted.

Brethren and sisters, shall we fail to find 20 friends who will cancel our mortgage? Only 1 to the 1,000 in the Southern Convention—what say you? Five have responded and just 19 days till the Convention meets.

We have received a few on the \$660.00 proposition. We need more.

The plows have begun to move and

the weather is warming up and the boys and girls want to take off their shoes—good sign that spring is here.

Give us a great rally next week.

Yours for service,

Uncle Jim.

DIED.

Carter.

At his home in St. Mary's Township, Wake County, N. C., Boling Carter, Feb. 13, 1912. He was born March 5, 1824. He had been a member of Hayes' Chapel Church for many years. He was a Confederate soldier. He leaves children, grand children and many relatives on the shores of time. May God bless them all.

W. G. Clements.

Holland.

Alexander Washington Holland departed this life at his home near Buckhorn, Va., March 23, 1912, aged 71 years and six months. He had been sorely afflicted for about three months and suffered greatly. He leaves one brother, James H. Holland, Suffolk, Va., three sisters, Mrs. Mareella Butler, Carrsville, Va., Mrs. Pocahontas Britt, Suffolk, Va., and Miss Mary Holland, Philadelphia, Penn., three sons, Washington, Matthew, and Littleton; and a widow whose maiden name was Bettie Boyett. The deceased was a Confederate soldier in the "16th Va. Infantry." He had for many years been a member of Holland Baptist church and was a good man, passing away in bright hope of eternal glory. The funeral was conducted by the writer at the home and the remains placed in a family cemetery near by.

N. G. Newman.

Holland.

Mrs. Martha O. Holland, of Holland, Va., relict of the late Mills H. Holland, Sr., died in the city of Norfolk, March 21st, 1912, after a few days illness, at the age of 48 years.

The funeral services were conducted by the writer at Holland Christian church in the presence of a very large audience and the body was laid to rest in Holland cemetery.

The deceased was a daughter of Joseph F. H. Johnson and his wife Christiana Hines, of Isle of Wight Co. She leaves an only son, Joseph E. Holland, Jr., Holland, Va., familiarly known to his college comrades and others as "Joe Pete;" one sister, Mrs. J. D. Gray, Waverly, Va., and one brother, Juett J. Johnson, Suffolk, Va.

The community feels keenly its great

loss in the death of Mrs. Holland. She was a kind and generous neighbor, ministering with her own hands to the poor and suffering, even to the unworthy and ungrateful. She was of a bright and happy disposition and carried sunshine and cheer wherever she went, and was greatly beloved. She was a loyal and faithful member of Holland Christian church, generous toward all its enterprises, and delighting in its services. Pure in her private life, loving and sacrificing in her home, kind and loyal to her friends, possessed of a deep personal piety and strong faith, she declared in the presence of death, "I am ready; the Lord's will be done," and fell asleep in Jesus.

N. G. Newman.

Morton.

Mrs. Rosa B. McCrary Morton was born June 29th, 1848, and departed this life March 19th, 1912, age 63 years, 8 months, and 20 days. She was married to J. H. Morton Sept. 12, 1867, and leaves a husband, five children, fifteen grandchildren, two brothers, one sister, and a host of friends to mourn their loss. She was indeed a good woman. She joined Union Christian Church in early years and her Christian life was one of simple and sincere faith in God, and assures us that it was well with her soul. She was truly a Christian mother and grandmother, ready and willing to lend a helping hand, and always thoughtful of others. She will be greatly missed.

But we have the sweet consolation that if we are faithful we shall meet her in the home of the soul. The body was laid to rest in Bethlehem Cemetery, in the presence of relatives and friends, the funeral being conducted by Rev. J. W. Holt, assisted by Rev. A. B. Kendall, on March 21.

A Loved One.

Smith.

The funeral services of this good woman were conducted more than twelve months ago; but either types, or the writer, got things so mixed, I want to make another statement about her.

She was born Jan. 17, 1837, and died in Dec. 1910. She was the daughter of James M. Morring and wife, Cynthia. She professed religion in early life and united with the church at O'Kelly's Chapel, and was baptized by Isaac N. Walters, where she held her membership until her death. She suffered with cancer many years, bearing it with great patience and Christian fortitude. She leaves a kind husband, a loving daughter, one sister and two brothers who often think of her and hope to meet her in the better land.

W. G. Clements.

Sutton.

With feelings of deepest sorrow at the death of our much esteemed and worthy sister, Malinda Sutton who departed this life Dec. 29th, 1911, we do hereby give expression to the great loss we have sustained by her death. Her modest unassuming disposition won for her the highest regard of all who knew her. Her meek and quiet spirit has gone to be with the Savior whom she loved and served for about sixty years.

Resolved 1st, That we bow submissively to this bereavement, and that we cherish tenderly her memory, for Bethelhem Ladies Aid Society has lost a faithful friend and a devoted member.

Resolved 2nd, That we tender our heart-felt sympathy to her bereaved husband and family.

Resolved 3rd, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of our society, and a copy be sent to the Christian Sun, the Burlington News and State Dispatch for publication.

Margaret Wilkins,
Isabela C. Smith,
Laura Gilliam,
J. W. Holt,

Committee.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.**Waverly, Va.**

Monday evening, in the parlors of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Livesay, the "Acorn" Bible class of the Waverly Christian Church held its Spring Festival. It was an "eight-Egg" social, held from eight minutes to eight to ten thirty eight.

Special invitations were issued to all guests, each member of the class inviting two, the wives being invited ex-officio.

The social was a unique one, a little out of the ordinary in Waverly. On arriving and finding the door closed, each gained admission by eight distinct raps. They were received by three young ladies—Misses Gale Hartz, Alva Gray and Annie Moss. Upon the payment of eight cents and signing a pledge to talk to everybody there they were presented with a souvenir card neatly tied with ribbon bearing the class colors. On the card was a conundrum or the answer to one.

A special program proved attractive. The conundrums and answers kept the company in convulsions. The "Eggstravaganza" was a feature quite exciting, especially when a double yolked egg was presented Rev. W. T. Williams as a prize for the greatest number of correct answers.

Supper was then served, the cost thereof being to "Find the Menu." Each

was given a bunch of egg-shaped cards, eight in number, neatly tied together with ribbon. The menu consisted of eight varieties. The eight cards in each bunch bore the name of the same variety. The fun came when each had to exchange with some one else till he had the eight numbers on his own string. He could then have supper. Refreshments consisted of devilled eggs, chocolate, coffee, cake, mints and ice cream. It was agreed that the eight kinds of refreshments served by eight ladies at eighty-eight minutes after eight-thirty-eight were eight times better than anything ever ate.

The program was interspersed with delightful music by the "Acorn" orchestra, consisting of J. A. Bryant, 1st violinist, Mr. M. B. Carpenter, 2nd violinist, Allen Carpenter, bass, and E. A. Gwaltney, guitar. The evening closed with everybody happy.

H. E. Rountree.

Berea.

Last Sunday we held our Easter service at this place. An excellent program had been arranged for the occasion. At the morning service the pulpit was occupied by Rev. J. W. Patton, who preached an excellent sermon which was enjoyed by all who heard him. His subject was "Obligation." We hope he will come again.

At the evening service the program prepared for the children and school at large was executed. The program had been well-prepared and every one seemed to be at his best. Our offering for the morning and evening service was \$20.00.

On Monday following, the school gathered again at the church with their baskets filled with delicious refreshments and spent the day joyfully in the grove around the church, "egg hunting," racing, and in various kinds of sport. No one can tell the real good that may be accomplished by a service like this. It not only brings pastor and members in close touch with each other, but brings us in close touch with those of the school who are yet unaved.

Our work here is in fine condition, the Sunday school is doing fine work. The organized classes now have a contest between them working for more scholars. We are expecting great things of this movement.

Shallow Ford.

At this place our work is moving along nicely, notwithstanding the fact that congregations have been kept away on account of bad weather, they are beginning to improve greatly, and all are looking forward to better times.

The Sunday school work is doing well. A missionary society has been organized, and we are looking forward to the organization of a "Ladies' Aid Society," next Sunday. The organized class here is doing good work. Prospects for the work seem bright at present.

O'Kelley Chapel.

Here also our work is moving along smoothly. On account of the very bad winter our congregations have not been large, but are increasing rapidly. We have recently taken in some good members here, and I learn more will come later. This means a great deal to the church.

Our Sunday school and Christian Endeavor work have done well during the last few months and we are looking forward to an increase in number and in interest soon.

Randleman.

Our work here has made good progress considering the hindrances and the loss of a number of the leading members of the church who have recently moved away. Yet those who remain are still battling against the foe, and are holding the work together as best they can. May the Lord richly reward those who are struggling hard to carry on the work of the church.

My work as a whole is moving along nicely and all are looking forward to a better and brighter day. J. V. Knight.

Elon College, N. C.

Liberty, N. C.

We are pleased to report that the Ladies' Aid Society of the Christian Church was organized with 18 members on the charter list. We are much encouraged by the interest manifested in behalf of our church. Our first meeting was held at Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Foust's, and we were royally entertained by the hostess, and her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Patterson who presided at the piano. The hostess served an elaborate menu followed by a response of welcome from her son, Dr. Foust. We highly appreciate Bro. and Sister Foust's interest in behalf of our church, and aid society. May the Lord bless them abundantly.

Mrs. Flora E. Wolfe, Pres.

Liberty Church Building.

Some time ago an article appeared in The Sun, apprising the people of the fact that we intended to build at Liberty. This week we started our subscriptions. The people are responding nobly. Up to date we have over three hundred dollars subscribed. We desire to raise for this enterprise about twelve hundred

dollars. Subscriptions are as follows:

Sam Boggs\$100.
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J. C. Foust 10.
Total\$310.

We earnestly solicit the aid of friends interested in the welfare of Liberty Church.
H. F. Wolfe, Pastor.

Conshohocken Letter.

Easter morning was lovely and our services passed pleasantly. The music was excellent, the church beautifully decorated with palms, ferns, Easter lilies, daffodils, orange plants with hanging fruit, etc., and the occasion was inspiring and uplifting. Our offering for the day amounted to \$160.00. Of this amount Square Deal Bible Class gave \$51.00, and the Men' Bible Class \$20.00.

In the afternoon the weather changed and we had high winds and heavy rains until almost the hour for the evening services. There was a disposition to postpone but quite enough came in to fill the auditorium, so the program, under the auspices of the Sunday school, was rendered and seemed to please the audience. A vast amount of faithful labor was invested in the preparation for the two services and those who labored most faithfully felt in some degree rewarded, and encouraged at results.

Square Deal Bible Class held a meeting last Friday evening in the Sunday school rooms and arranged for their Easter offering, and received two new members. The enrollment now stands at 58.

Saturday evening the quarterly Fellowship and Business meeting convened. Bro. Geo. Nagle, Church Secretary, who has served in the office a number of years very faithfully, resigned and Brother Frank Rineheart, a very efficient young brother, was elected his successor.

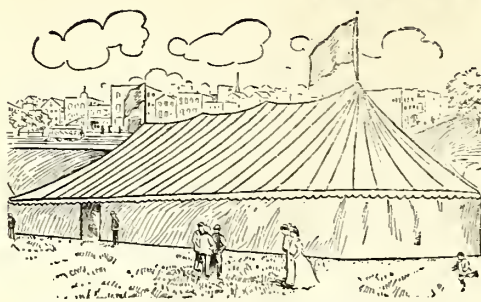
Arrangements were made for the entertainment of the New Jersey Conference which meets here May 16th—19th.

We expect to have a Sunday School Institute in the afternoon of next third Sabbath for the benefit of the local church and community. The two subjects to claim most of the time will be Organized Bible Class work and Teacher Training. But this is reporting ahead. We are having some new recruits almost every Sunday now to our Sunday school and church services. We now have four organized classes in the Sunday school. This movement has kindled new enthusiasm and inspiration.
Murdock W. Butler.

Liberty Spring.

Easter Sunday was observed in this church. Special music had been prepared for the occasion. A large congregation

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assembled. An offering was taken for Conference Assessments. The people gave freely, liberally, and gladly. The pastor stated that \$100 would be sufficient to meet the request of Conference, and in about seven minutes an offering amounting to \$115 was taken. It was an inspiring scene and the people rejoiced in the success attained by their liberality. This is the first church in my field to raise the Conference Assessments for this year. Others will do likewise at the proper time.

I. W. Johnson.

Oak Level.

Last Saturday and Sunday were the appointments at Oak Level, Franklin Co., N. C. We have not had a nice day for preaching at this church this winter and spring; but notwithstanding the disagreeable weather every appointment has been filled and the Sunday school pulled through without going into winter quarters.

It was quite a joy to see that Sister Staley and Sister Pearce had fully regained their usual health. Last summer it looked like they were ready to step over the river of death; but God has put his hand under them, and is still holding them up in a life of usefulness, for which we praise His holy name. W. G. Clements.

DIED.

Holden.

Many hearts were made sad on March 28 when the life of J. M. Holden, of Youngsville, was made still in death. He had been quite a sufferer for three months or more. He was about 55 years old; had been an acceptable member in good standing in Oak Level Church for many years. He leaves a wife, six living children, four boys and two girls, and many friends to mourn their loss. Two children had gone before to the spirit land. He was a man of much energy and usefulness in the neighborhood. May God bless the wife, children and friends.

Williams.

In this life sorrow and gladness are constantly chasing each other in our onward journey. Last year, Oak Level Church and community were made sad by the death of Bro. Erastus Williams, and several others in the neighborhood.

Winston.

In November Sister Lucy Winston, wife of J. C. Winston, was called up higher by the death angel. She was one of the best women in the community. All miss her noble acts of kindness. She was always ready to lend a helping hand to any good work. She was a member of the Methodist Church, but was an excellent worker in every church where she went; no sectarian spirit in her.

W. G. Clements.

Holland.

Whereas our heavenly Father has seen fit in His infinite wisdom to remove from us our beloved sister, Mrs. M. A. Holland, Holland, Va., who departed this life at Norfolk, Va., March 21st, 1912, at the age of 48 years and, Whereas she spent more than thirty years of her useful life in this community, demonstrating her worth as a kind and generous neighbor, a true and faithful friend, a loving and sacrificing wife and mother, a loyal member of the church, and a pious and godly Christian, be it

Resolved, 1. That we place upon record our high appreciation of her life and character, and our devotion to her precious memory;

2. That we feel keenly and sorely our loss as a citizen of our town, a member of Holland Christian Church and of our Ladies' Aid Society;

3. That we extend our sincerest sympathy to her only son, Joseph E. Holland, Jr., and her other loved ones;

4. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to The Christian Sun, placed upon the record of the Society, and sent to the family.

Committee—

Mrs. N. G. Newman,

Mrs. Job G. Holland,

Mrs. J. P. Dalton.

MARRIED.**Johnson-Wood.**

At W. A. Penny's, at Morrisville, N. C., April 3rd, by Rev. W. G. Clements, Miss Georgia C. Wood to Wm. Brock Johnson, both of Morrisville, N. C. May God's blessings be with them through life.

Duke-Holland.

At the Christian parsonage, Holland, Va., April 3rd, 1912, James Henry Duke and Blanche E. Holland were united in holy matrimony by the writer, assisted by Rev. Jno. L. Lawless. Mr. Duke is a son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Duke, of Holland, Va., and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elisha E. Holland, of Holland, Va. They will reside at the home of the groom near this place. May their wedded life be one of happiness, honor and usefulness.

N. G. Neman.

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